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Business, Transportation & Housing Agency

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SUMMARY - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT STATE ROUTE 50 IN EL DORADO COUNTY - CONSTRUCT NEW INTERCHANGE NEAR CAMERON PARK

03-ED-50, KP R16.6/18.7 (PM R10.9/R14.2)

Shingle Springs Rancheria Interchange Project: KP R16.6/18. (PM R10.9/R14.2) 03-0C890

Proposed Action:

Construct new interchange near Cameron Park on Highway 50 between the existing Shingle Springs interchange and the Greenstone Road interchange to provide direct access to the Shingle Springs Rancheria.

Programming:

The project is completely funded by private monies, with Caltrans oversight. The estimated project cost of Alternative B, the flyover interchange alternative, is \$14,585,000. The estimated project cost of Alternative C, the compact diamond interchange, is \$18,301,000. Construction is to begin in Fiscal Year (FY) 2002/03. Approval of a future New Public Road Connection will be requested at the October Commission Meeting.

Alternatives Being Considered:

- No-Build.
- Flyover Interchange.
- Compact Diamond Interchange.

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Potential Significant Environmental Effects:

- Likely encounter serpentinite (Naturally Occurring Asbestos) during construction.
- During certain peak periods, unacceptable level of service (LOS F) on the ramps, ramp intersections and/or the freeway, and queues may exceed ramp storage.
- Add to a projected deficiency along Highway 50 between the El Dorado County line and El Dorado Hills Boulevard.
- Construction-period emissions of ROG, NOx, and PM₁₀.

Proposed Measures to Minimize Harm:

- Comply with El Dorado County Ordinance Code, "Naturally Occurring Asbestos and Dust Protection Ordinance." Section 8.44.030 of this ordinance specifically addresses "General Requirements for grading, Excavation and Construction Activities."
- Signalize and coordinate the two newly created intersections, provide an eastbound auxiliary lane between the eastbound East Shingle Springs Drive on-ramp and the eastbound off-ramp to the Rancheria, implement ramp metering on the newly created on-ramps.
- Pursuant to Section 10.8 of Tribal State Compact, the tribal government will contribute a fair share contribution to future master planned improvements as identified by Caltrans and El Dorado County for the section of US-50 between the El Dorado County line and El Dorado Hills Boulevard.
- Conduct Best Management Practices and re-vegetate on and around the construction site.